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BRITISH FARM PROGRAM SETS HIGH TARGETS

Meat Slaughterings Fall Heavily FIFTY PER CENT

ABOVE PRE-WAR IS
TARGET FOR 1951-52

EFFECT PACKING PLANTS STOPPAGE SHOWN IN FIGURES

Already Acute Food Difficulties in
Britain and European Con-
tinent Are Accentuated

RUST RESISTANT WHEAT

Increase of Such Wheat Exported
— J. G. Taggart Becomes Chief
of Agricultural Services

By M. McDougall, Press Gallery—
(Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Oct. 15th.—The packing house strike has thrown the whole meat industry out of gear and is becoming an increasingly heavy blow to Canadian agriculture, and to its commitments. It adds greatly to other difficulties. Here was a year when crops, field crops in particular in Western and Eastern Canada, were for reasons well known below average. It was naturally hoped with world food conditions as they are, they would have been above normal.

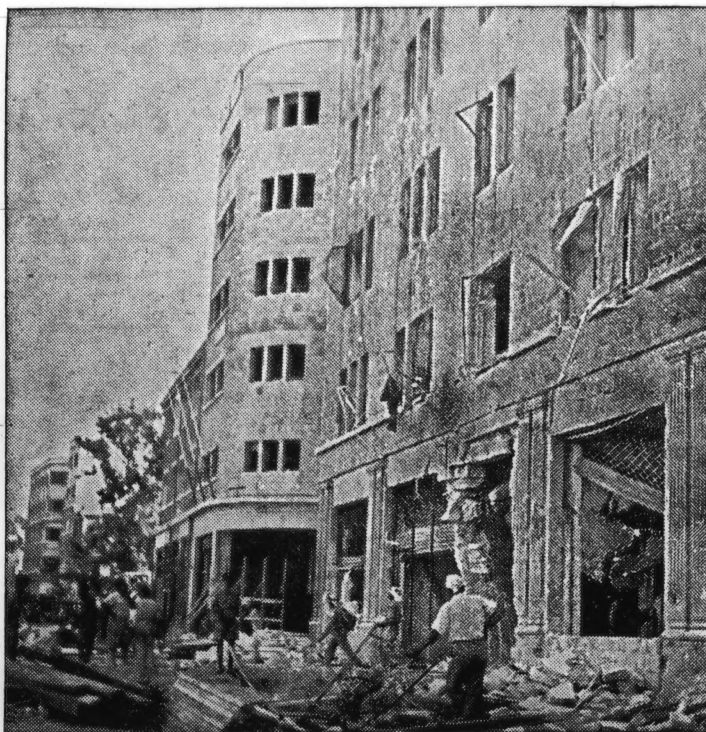
Inspected Meat Slaughterings

The effect of the packing strike is shown in the record of inspected meat slaughterings. In the week ending October 4th the number of cattle slaughtered was 12,843 compared with 40,918 in the same week of 1946. For the first forty weeks since the first of the year the figure was 854,846 compared with 1,149,670 in the same period of 1946. A similar story applies to calves. Hogs declined from 58,636 for the week to 38,266, and for the 40 week period from 3,111,425 to 2,953,030. The decline for the week was particularly heavy in Eastern Canada. As is well known, the bacon ration in Britain of 2 ounces per week per person has been reduced because of shipments from Canada dropping down to a trickle, to 2 ounces per fortnight. It was certainly small enough as it was.

Crops in the past season not only in Britain but on the European continent suffered severely, and this has intensified the food difficulties. In Britain, storms and floods caused great damage, and in France and other European countries millions of acres of winter wheat were killed. Later, in France, there was much damage through rust infection. Some of the European countries, it is known, have in the past couple of years taken some of their bread feed for seeding, and much of this was of non-rust resistant kinds. It is, therefore, of especial interest to note that Canadian wheat shipped during the 1946-47 season has been largely rust resistant. This will at least have some effect in helping wheat production in Europe.

(Tests of actual shipments over a period of time were made to determine the proportion of rust resistant wheat that is going abroad. At Fort William

Police Building at Haifa Blasted



While the future of Palestine is debated by the United Nations at Lake Success, New York, the struggle between Jews and Arabs grows more intense as Arabs make armed demonstrations near its borders, and the army of the Jewish agency is reported ready to act. Meanwhile internal violence continues. Ten persons died and 51 were injured in the police building in the main street at Haifa shown above, as the result of an explosion. A tar barrel was rolled from a truck halted outside the barbed wire barricade, and the barrel exploded with terrific force.

the survey covered September 5th to December 12th, 1946, at Vancouver from October 5th, 1946, to February 22nd of this year, and at Churchill for five weeks ending September 21st, 1946. The tests, representing 34,000,000 bushels shipped during the periods mentioned, showed 75 to 80 per cent of shipments from Fort William as Thatcher, rust resistant variety. Thatcher makes up about one-third of Vancouver varieties and from 62 to 90 per cent of exports from Churchill. Other rust resistant wheat varieties also appear, though in lesser proportions. The trend towards rust resistant wheats has been rapid. It is stated that the wheats which Canada exports are mainly composed of varieties highly resistant to rust and are of a high milling and baking quality.)

Essential for "Austerity" Level

Cabinet Ministers returning from Europe have emphasized that the contracts with the British for basic foodstuffs will be filled on the British side. The food from Canada is essen-

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Confer in Edmonton

Conferences on the packing plant strike situation between the A.F.A. and other farmers organizations and Premier Manning are proceeding in Edmonton as we go to press. The U.F.A. is participating. Executive meetings of the U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. and U.F.A. Central Co-operative are being held in Edmonton this week.

Earl Hayes Passes

We record with great regret that one of the organizers of the Co-operative Milk Company in Calgary, in 1929, and its vice-president during the whole period since, Earl Hayes, died on Monday. Mr. Hayes settled in the Springbank district in 1904, and moved to the Beddington district in 1914, carrying on dairy farming operations in both districts.

Almost five million bushels of grain was shipped this year via the Churchill route.

Wheat Target 119 Per cent Boost;
Barley 279 Per Cent; Oats
150, Beef 110

DETAILED PROGRAM

Government Backs Every Phase—
Upward Revision of Prices and
Acreage Payments, etc.

LONDON FOOD LETTER

By GEORGE MARTIN

LONDON, Eng.—The temporary suspension of the free convertibility of sterling which was announced on August 20th, has emphasised the gravity of Britain's balance-of-payments problem.

Not a "Stagnant Backwater"

As Mr. Morrison pointed out, it is neither fair nor truthful to describe the state of Britain's economy as a "stagnant backwater". Two facts may show how much has been achieved in the way of reconstruction of the country's industrial life: In July Britain's exports reached the highest value ever recorded, and unemployment is at present at the lowest level in time of peace since reliable statistics began.

Nevertheless, "despite all the efforts by all concerned the crisis is still getting graver. Britain will have to face worse things before she is through." In order to be able to pay her way, imports have to be restricted further as was already announced by the Prime Minister on August 8th. As Mr. Morrison said, "in order to be able to pay for the barest essentials, we are now forced to make cuts which hurt us and inevitably hurt our suppliers." The reductions in food imports will inevitably mean some reductions in the rations; details are now being worked out by the Government.

Maximum Output Imperative

In these circumstances, maximum output by Britain's agriculture is imperative. As was announced earlier, the Government has decided on a program designed to increase the net agricultural output by £100 million, or 20 per cent above last year's total, by 1951-52. The Government will give its full backing to every phase and aspect of this effort, and is determined to give the agricultural industry the tools needed for the job.

Details of the plan have now been made public. Farmers are given an assured market, increases in guaranteed prices, and new subsidies. A large increase in feeding-stuffs imports is proposed; housing for rural workers will receive special priority; and special attention is given to the shortage of labor in British agriculture.

The production target for 1951-52 represents an expansion of 50 per cent
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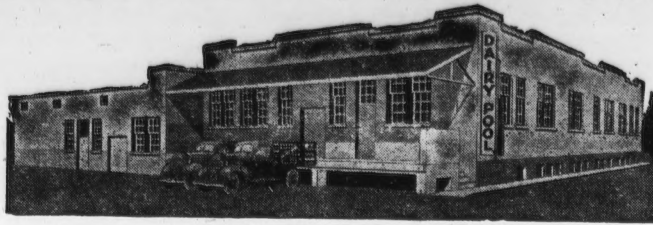


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Case Against Oleomargarine

Much interest has been aroused by our series of articles in this section of The Western Farm Leader on the subject of Oleomargarine. Proposals for the manufacture and sale of this product in Canada continue to be advanced in certain quarters. Below is printed the second part of an article by the editor of the Ottawa Farm Journal, Bryan L. White, dealing with this subject. The article was commenced in the last issue of this paper.

In the United States today the best sources of oils for oleomargarine are the cottonseed and peanut, neither of which are produced in Canada. Growers of these crops there fear

outside competition, such as palm, coconuts and other oils from the Pacific. There lies the kernel of this whole argument. It is likely that these cheap oils will be available in quantity soon, and, with huge modern tankers available, they can be imported very cheaply into the United States and Canada.

This overseas oil trade is controlled by a very few huge companies, vast organizations with ramifications all over the world. In times of distress cheap oils could be dumped in this country and in the United States, at anytime they could undersell domestic oils.

On Export Basis

It is being said that dairying countries such as Denmark and New Zealand permit the use of oleomargarine by their people. So why not Canada? The situations in those countries are in no way comparable to that here for the simple reason that the domestic use of oleomargarine in those countries is a part of government policy, to allow more of the higher priced butter to be exported. They are butter exporting countries, Canada is not. In the United States butter consumption never reached the high level it has in Canada, there was never the same high percentage of total milk used in butter manufacture, the dairy industry does not depend to the same extent on butter for price stability, and oleomargarine there served a group of people who had never used butter in quantity in any event.

Is Easiest Way

The total ban on use of oleomargarine by Canadians is by far the easiest and least troublesome way of handling a very difficult problem. To simply allow it would settle nothing, on the other hand would interject a political football into Canadian politics which might well be a disrupting influence for years. In the United States, oleomargarine has been allowed for 75 years, is still a highly controversial question, the cause of yearly battles in every legislature in the land. The end there is not in sight.

Should oleomargarine be allowed, a whole series of other legislative battles would start. There would, naturally, be the very troublesome one of whether the new product should be sold colored yellow, as is butter, or white or some other color.

This is a point on which the whole dairy industry feels strongly, would naturally fight bitterly as they feel that the golden-yellow coloring of butter is somewhat of a trade mark. If the experience of the United States is any example of what would happen here, legislative fights on such co-related subjects as excise taxes,

rather than starting each spring with package bees are discussed in a recent bulletin of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa. One of the chief advantages is that under reasonable conditions brood rearing is well advanced before packages can be obtained, with the result that the colony is much stronger when the honey flow comes and considerably more honey is obtained.

For Success in Wintering

For success in wintering bees a strong colony, a good supply of wholesome stores and adequate protection from cold and changing temperatures are essential. To have a strong colony of young bees it is usually well, states the bulletin, to replace the old queen with a young mated queen at the end of the main honey flow, and provide plenty of space in the brood chamber. Combining of two weak colonies is also recommended.

The last honey gathered in the fall is often of poor quality and not satisfactory for winter feeding for the bees; it is suggested that the greater part of the honey be removed and sugar syrup (one part water to two of sugar) substituted. This may be fed from inverted pails, with perforated lids, on the top of the frames after the colony is placed in the outdoor wintering case. Feeding may be continued until the bees will take no more, which usually requires about 40 lbs. of sugar per colony.

For protection from cold and changing temperatures, dugouts, cellars or an outdoor wintering case are suggested. Where winter temperatures are fairly steady, the latter is recommended.

Research Is Planned

Funds for a "Co-operative Development Foundation" will be sought in the form of bequests and donations, and will be administered by a board of trustees to be set up under the auspices of the Co-operative Union of Canada. The Foundation hopes to finance research work and scholarships, and other educational work and special projects in the interests of co-operative development.

coloring laws, import duties, dumping clauses, fraud, and a host of others would follow. There would be legislation of varied kinds in every Provincial Legislature as well as in the Dominion Parliament, and this might be expected to go on for years.

Would Confuse All Branches

The Dairy Industry of Canada is, in itself, a very complex organization depending on very nice, and often very fine, balances to keep a proper distribution and price relationship between the various branches of the industry. To interject a major dis-

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THE TRUE BASIS

FOR CO-OPERATIVE SUPPORT

Your support of Alberta Pool Elevators should not be based on personalities or whims.

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Rural Electrification in the United States

By CORA J. KERNS

PART VI

The Big Convention in Spokane

I SHOULD LIKE, in this issue, to tell my readers about the big convention held in Spokane last April under the Chairmanship of T. E. Craddock, who was elected President of the National Association on April 22nd.

Record Convention

"Tom" is an experienced rancher and manager of B-K Electric Co-op at Seymour, Texas. That the movement toward 100 per cent electricity on all farms in America is becoming a realization fast, was proved by the recorded membership. It was their greatest convention. Both registrations and attendance were up and members took part in the open forum and on committees with more than the usual zeal. The program was outstanding.

Two outstanding scientists on atomic power, two U.S. Senators, two U.S. Congressmen; also heads of the R.E.A. as well as the Department of Interior's Division and Bonneville Power, were there. Messages were read from President Truman, the Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Interior, and various officials of the big movement.

The unanimity with which the delegates acted on all issues should have convinced both friends and foes that the crusade will never end until every farm in America is electrified at reasonable rates.

Delegates were there from all over, representing the 1,200,000 members of rural electric co-operatives, public power and public utility districts in 42 states and Alaska. All speakers praised the R.E.A. contributions to the maintenance of free competitive

enterprise in the U.S. (From my own observations, about the only field of free enterprise left down here is a venture of combined individuals who can induce Uncle Sam to loan them money to get their project going and then act as their Banker. Farm credits and farm loans have been financed in the same way, which I hope to tell you about at a later date.—C.J.K.)

Uncle Sam's Backing

One thing that is always stressed by any such group is that it is neither socialization nor nationalization, just co-ops who run their business in an efficient manner and always pay back what they borrow at which time they are on their own. However, the fact remains that in the beginning they are financed from funds collected by Uncle Sam through taxation of all the people. That agriculture is of vital importance to everyone and must be kept going if every one is fed is realized by all.

Speakers of both political parties warned that monopolistic power would destroy the struggling lines of R.E.A. All speakers pointed to benefits for all America resulting from their fight to preserve their program and complete the now half-finished job.

Five special trains supplemented ordinary bus, plane and railroad transports. Hotels were overflowed and hundreds were housed in a "Pullman Village" in the railroad yards. Among these were some officials and their wives.

Visit to Grand Coulee Dam

Before settling down to the meeting, a vanguard of delegates visited Grand Coulee Dam, 90 miles west of Spokane, which is a source of power for R.E.A. in the Pacific Northwest, but development is only getting started from it in this state where private power has been highly developed. That may have been the main reason for holding the Convention in this state of Washington.

The opening program was interrupted to pass a resolution to "deplore, condemn and oppose" the House of Representatives appropriations committee report slashing Department of Interior funds 47 per cent. They asked Congress to consider their plea "to not sell America short".

Dr. Leo Szilard, of the University of Chicago and Dr. Linus Pauling, Nobel Prize winner from California Institute of Technology, spoke on atomic energy. Dr. Szilard thought that atomic power to yield heat to generate electricity could not compete in price with hydro-electrical power, but he thought the time would come when atomic power would displace other fuels in the production of electrical power.

Peace Time Usage of Atomic Power

Dr. Pauling emphasized the discovery of atomic power in peace time usage. The water used at Hanford, Washington, to cool in the process of making the bombs, warmed the Columbia river by several degrees. If supplies of coal should be exhausted in 50 or 100 years, we were now assured of energy supplies. While an atomic bomb cost a million dollars or less, the same amount of T.N.T. bombs delivered would cost 20 millions, so the former were much cheaper. However, he stressed the fact that we "must not have another war".

Marvin M. Smith, Vice-President of Muncie Gear Works, explained the

heat-pump. Very simply, in winter it takes the heat out of the earth and puts it in your house, and in summer it takes the heat out of your house and puts it into the earth. Since there is no flame, it is quiet, safe and dependable.

Not Lost a Major Battle

President Nichols, retiring after 13 months in office, said membership had grown 33-1/2 per cent the past year, from 507 rural electric systems with 764,741 farmers, to 684 with 1,163,377. He said although there had been a powerful nation-wide movement in Congress and elsewhere to put them out of business, their national

New Members of IFAP

LONDON, Eng.—Farmers of China, Eire and Kenya are now represented in the International Federation of Agricultural Producers, bringing the total number of countries so represented to 20. The three new organizations are the Chinese National Farmers' Association, the Irish Primary Producers' Association and the Kenya National Farmers' Union.

association had been right on its toes every minute and had not lost a major battle yet.

He said their program had not been (Continued on page 7)

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STABILITY VITAL TO AGRICULTURE

Alberta farmers who remember (as we do) the market conditions which faced the producer year after year when his returns depended upon a fluctuating market, are not likely to be tempted to exchange the stability which can be given to their industry by intelligently negotiated and equitable long-term contracts, for a return to speculative trading.

That is one reason why, in spite of a very active campaign now being carried on against the wheat agreement with Great Britain, farmers remain firm in adherence to the principle of long term agreements. Have they not in the past themselves fought many battles through years of adversity, often apparently futile battles, in the confident hope that stability would at last be attained? Will they turn back now?

The men and women who fought these battles are not likely today to surrender the gains which they have made, for any momentarily glittering speculative prospect. They are concerned not about the present moment alone but much more about the coming years, and they are wisely so concerned.

EXPANSION OF FARMER CO-OPERATIVES

In a recent attack on the Wheat Pools of Western Canada, the suggestion is made that officials of farmers' co-operatives who take steps to expand the business of the enterprises they serve, today "seek to establish a monopoly as long as it is their own."

The context seems to imply that there is some difference in interest in such matters as business expansion between "Pool officials" and the farmers whom they serve; that while the officials are anxious to increase the volume of business of the Pools to a maximum, such growth—for some strange reason—must be detrimental to the producer. If there be any sound logic in this argument we confess it is lost upon us.

Officials of co-operatives are the servants of the members. The policies the officials pursue are laid down by the members—and only after very thorough discussion, as we have reason to know from our own personal observation.

If the intention of the "critics" be to differentiate between the policy of the producers and the policy of the officials they appoint, such an attempt is bound to fail, because the farmers of Western Canada are too well informed concerning their own business affairs. They themselves are in charge.

The officials, in so far as they are devoted to the building up of the co-operatives—and we don't know any who aren't—have interests identical with those of the members—and the interests of the members of the farmers' co-operatives coincide also with the interests of the whole of the farm community of Western Canada.

As to "monopoly", to suggest that the farm people of Western Canada who have banded themselves together in co-operative endeavor would be defeating their own purpose of attaining better business and better living standards if they should tend by adding to their numbers to occupy the whole field of marketing of their own products—that, of course, only needs to be stated for its absurdity to become manifest.

The Eleventh Hour

*Along these narrow pathways that we travel,
Crowding each other into wayside thorns,
We seek our tangled courses to unravel,
The while the price of peace our blindness scorns.
We hope around some turning to emerge on
A highway where all peoples gladly throng,
Beneath one banner, eager to converge on
The goal wise men have seen and sought so long.*

*Alas! This shining highway still is distant
For all must help to build it, stone by stone,
With ardent labor, selfless and persistent,
Through terrain by suspicion overgrown.
The night is falling now on twisted trails—
And there will be no dawn if vision fails.*

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

CHRISTMAS PARCELS—THERE'S STILL TIME

Details of the excellent "Rotary Club Plan" for the handling of food parcels for Britain are presented elsewhere in this issue by E. W. H. Brown, public relations officer.

We are sure that a great many of our readers will be eager to take advantage of the opportunity which this plan has opened up to them. Under its provisions the costs of transportation are reduced to a minimum. The proportion of the outlay of each donor that will be spent in the purchase of food is raised to a maximum.

This is the sort of plan that large numbers of Albertans have been looking for, and we do not doubt that the response will be widespread and liberal.

When this issue comes into the hands of our readers, there will still be time for those who wish to send Christmas parcels to friends or relatives overseas to do so; though as Mr. Brown's article makes clear, they should act quickly if they wish to make sure that their parcels will be delivered at designated addresses in time.

There will be no closing dates for contributors to the "open fund". Many of the parcels subscribed for during the next few weeks will no doubt be delivered before Christmas; but the Rotary Committee will be glad to receive contributions at any time.

It may be noted that the amount of any contribution to the "open fund" is legally deductible for income tax purposes.

THE TWO WORLDS

More fundamental, perhaps, than any division of humanity into worlds based on ideological differences is the division based on differences in living standards—the differences between the well-fed and the ill-fed or starving peoples.

Oswaldo Aranha, the wartime Foreign Minister of Brazil, addressing the Cleveland Council of World Affairs some months ago, discussed the wide disparity which exists today between these two worlds.

"We must realize," he said, "that the United States has more than one-half of the world's income,

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Rotary's Parcels for Britain Campaign

By E. W. R. BROWN, Publicity Director

IN Rotary's current drive to raise at least \$25,000 for its Parcels to Britain Fund the primary purpose is to remember as many people in the British Isles as possible in time for Christmas.

For six months we have been engaged both in soliciting donations for Parcels and in encouraging others to do likewise. During those six months \$8,488 worth of food has been sent. In the same period the number of parcels sent by private individuals has more than doubled, and we like to feel that our efforts to publicize the need for food is in some measure responsible for this awakened interest.

The current intensified campaign, which commenced September 20th and will end this month, has realized over \$15,000 to this date (Oct. 9).

Right now, when Britain is fighting for her economic health, it is the time to give her the encouragement, and the confidence that comes from the realization that friends everywhere are remembering her in her need.

Avalanche of Letters of Appreciation

The need for food was never greater. The parcels that have already been sent have provoked a literal avalanche of letters of appreciation. It is impossible to read them without deciding to do even a better job of publicizing the need. It would be difficult to find a better means of lifting their morale.

And at what better time than Christmas? Christmas in the Old Country this year will be austere and bleak.

But a food parcel from across the sea can make Christmas a warm, festive season for its recipient. And what a feeling of satisfaction it will be to sit down at our own Christmas turkey with the knowledge that a donation from us had made Christmas

a day of pleasure and gladness for a family over there.

Will you help?

Special Arrangements With Food Ministry

We have special arrangements with the Food Ministry in Great Britain regarding the food parcels to be bought with the proceeds from this campaign.

All parcels, with no specified recipient, will be accumulated and sent in carload lots to the Eastern seaboard. They will be picked up there by the British Food Ministry and transported, at their expense, to Great Britain. On arrival in Britain, the individual parcels will be distributed to the various towns and cities in Great Britain most in need of food, and in these towns and cities the local representative of the Food Ministry and the local Rotary Club will take care of the distribution to individual families.

Where Recipient Specified

Parcels which have a specified recipient will go forward by freight to a depot in England and will be mailed to the individual addressees on arrival there.

The savings realized from these arrangements will be substantial and will enable the Rotary Club to put considerably more food in each parcel. In fact, the savings will permit approximately 35 per cent more food.

Donations may be made either for our open fund, which is to send parcels to needy people in Great Britain, or to our fund for specified recipients. In the case of the open fund, contributions can be made in any amount, large or small, by donors. In the case of specified recipients, donations may be in amounts of either \$3.00 or \$5.00, and when a donation is sent in, it should be accompanied by the name and address of the desired recipient.

Kinds of Food Sent

Readers of this paper who intend to send parcels under this plan will no doubt be interested to know the general character of the contents, which will consist of selections from the following kinds of foods: tinned meat, tinned salmon, biscuit mix, jelly, pudding, fruit cake, dried fruit, preserved fruit, chocolate bars, dried milk, raisins, lemon juice, flour. Please do not ask for any particular items to go in your parcel.

Those readers of this paper who wish to send specified parcels should please note that in order to be reasonably sure of these parcels reaching Britain in time for Christmas, the donations should be sent before October 25th; though any which may be received some days later than that will be dealt with to the best of our ability, in time for Christmas delivery.

Donations of either type may be mailed to the Rotary Club, Parcels for Britain Campaign, Palliser Hotel, Calgary.

Co-op Union Condemns Boost Competitive Rates

Strongly condemning the "arbitrary and unjustified action" of the railways in announcing an increase of competitive rates "while hearings of the Board are still in progress on the original application for a general 30 per cent increase", a statement was submitted recently to the Board of Railway Transport Commissioners by the Co-operative Union of Canada.

Training of labor men as field workers in the development of consumer co-operative stores is contemplated in a plan for a three-months school to be conducted by the Co-operative Union of Canada with the support of labor unions.

A.F.A. NOTES

By Jas. R. McFALL, Secretary

Income Tax and Basic Herd.—Farm organizations, spearheaded by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture and the Western Stockgrowers' Association, have been able, as previously announced, to convince the Dominion Income Tax Department that breeding stock is a capital asset and not income.

Regulations have now been laid down whereby the ranchers and dairy-men can establish a basic herd which when disposed of will be considered as capital investment and not income. This new regulation should be of untold benefit to stockmen; the principle is retroactive to years in which your income tax statement has not been finally assessed.

All stockmen are urged to become familiar with the regulation so that they may receive any benefits to which they may be entitled. On the other hand, this whole principle is on trial on an experimental basis. There are many angles to be worked out. We would urge you not to take unfair advantage of the ruling or it may be rescinded.

Another Income Tax Concession.—Many farmers during recent years have sold more than one crop in one crop year because of quota restrictions. As a result of this action, which was not their fault, they found themselves in a very unfavorable position in relation to income tax.

First Consumer Owned U.S. Radio Station

The first radio station owned by U.S. consumers went on the air recently at Columbus, Ohio; it is owned by the Ohio Farm Bureau Co-operative.

The Federation, in co-operation with the U.F.A. investigated the situation and urged that these sales should be charged to the years in which they were grown. To advance our arguments clearly and forcibly we sent Ralph Walker from Nanton to interview the Dominion Income Tax Department at Ottawa. Results of this interview have been slow in materializing, but it is with pleasure that we can announce that the Department has recognized our claim as fair and legitimate.

The new regulations mean that grain not sold in the year in which it was grown, because of quota restrictions, can now be charged back to that year for income tax purposes.

This does not apply to grain held for speculative reasons, and will not be effective on grain that could have been sold under the quota.

This regulation is retroactive to past statements provided they have not been finally assessed and closed for more than one year. It should allow many farmers to make adjustments of what has been a very unfair burden.

Note: Memorandums dealing with these new regulations are available on request through the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, 525 Lougheed Building, Calgary.

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the same time you will have positive evidence that your birds were not good and this will be a guide for you in order that you might improve on future shipments.

Half Million Dollar Co-op Foundry for Production of Farm Machinery Approved

(Co-op League News Service)

BELLEVILLE, Ohio.—Appropriation of half a million dollars for a co-operative foundry for farm machinery production has been approved here by directors of the National Farm Machinery Co-operative, Inc. John W. Sims of the Ohio Farm Bureau Co-operative Association was elected president.

Rocky Mountain House Creamery Now a Member of the C.A.D.P.

By ELLIS A. JOHNSTONE, Manager

In the years 1938 to 1945 we were able to give this area reasonable truck service. Commencing, however, about the latter part of 1943, trucking costs commenced to rise very materially. In addition to that, road conditions seemed to deteriorate at the same time. The result of it was that our Dairy Pool had to discontinue the truck service in that reasonably large area.

Previous to January 1st, 1947, and back to 1944, our organization operated an egg grading station and a poultry receiving station at Rocky Mountain House. In this way we were able to give at least partial service to our members in this fairly large area.

Now One of Our Regular Units

Some little time back it was made known to your Board of Directors that they might be able to acquire the Creamery at Rocky. Your Board's decision was, that if certain conditions were met, our organization should acquire the plant. These conditions have now been fully met, and as from October 4th, the Creamery at Rocky Mountain House is being operated as one of our regular units.

It is anticipated that this plant will be one of our better plants, for besides having the creamery and the egg station, it will serve as a poultry receiving depot, and will have a pasteurized milk plant.

William Graham, delegate, post office Strachan, lives approximately 20 miles southwest of Rocky. No doubt the members in his District, as well as himself, will be interested in this announcement.

Attention Turkey Raisers!

Now is the time to be thinking about fattening your turkeys. We think it possible to increase the percentage of A Grade considerably if patrons will make up their minds to do it. Birds that have been confined to a yard of not more than an acre and have had a balanced ration of feed constantly before them should fatten quite easily in approximately four weeks.

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Co-op. Education for G.I.'s

Courses from the Co-operative Correspondence School at Superior, Wis., have been approved by the U.S. Veterans' Administration and can be taken under the G.I. Bill of Rights.

Illustrated Pamphlet

The growing of grass seed crops, from the choice of seed to the threshing of the crop, is discussed by J. E. Bird-sall in an attractive, illustrated pamphlet "Grass and Legume Seed Crops in Alberta". It is published by the Provincial Department of Agriculture.

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RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

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subsidized as claimed by propagandists and proved it with figures.

Clyde T. Ellis, Executive Manager, told the meeting: "Over the past 12 years you have written into the pages of American history the noblest record of rural progress the world has ever known." You have caused the electrification of farms to grow from 10 to 50 per cent. In concluding he said: "We in this great work not only teach but live that Christian creed whose very foundation is not of power, but of the individual."

Claude R. Wickard, R.E.A. Administrator, said: "In my opinion the R.E.A. approach has been ideal in that the Federal Government has helped farm people to help themselves."

He thought more women should be on the boards and participate actively in meetings as they benefitted too.

Co-operative enterprises are a fundamental defense against unhealthy concentration of wealth and against foreign "isms". Half a million small business concerns in U.S. were eliminated during the war years he pointed out. Where 100 corporations controlled 30 per cent of nation's manufacturing output before the war, now they control 70 per cent of it. This is one of the greatest dangers the American system has ever faced. He was sure that if our economy falls into the hands of a few groups, the result would be "either big business will take over the government or the government will be forced to take over business."

Aware of Dangers Ahead

Speeches by other officials of the organization showed that all were aware of the dangers ahead, but they were all determined to finish the job they had begun if it meant a fight to the bitter end.

Since the Convention, we have watched the cuts made by Congress and the allocations raised in places near to a Congressman's own seat. These are not popular in the Pacific North West, as was shown by the co-reception Senator Taft received on his recent visit, feeling his way toward the Republican nomination for President.

Such projects as these are political footballs and programs will be held back until the next election is over, although they are going ahead in the meantime as fast as they possibly can. The big McNary dam, 60 miles from here on the Columbia River, is getting under way and there is much activity in small towns near the dam-site. They are preparing for a great future in irrigating the great Columbia Valley.

Service for Co-operative Health Groups Extended

(Co-op League News Service)

ELK CITY, Oklahoma.—At the first annual meeting of the co-operative Health Federation of America, held here recently, it was announced that such services as legal advice, architectural assistance, promotion and financial aid, and a professional placement service are now available for new health groups entering the co-operative field. The three hundred delegates present re-elected as president Dr. Michael Shadid, whose co-operative hospital was the first in the United States.

18 Billions Profits After Paying Dividends

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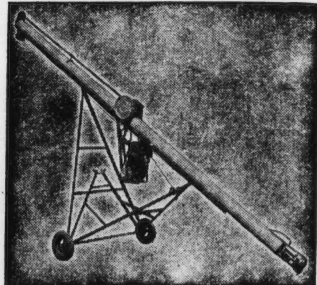
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POST-WAR CHRONICLE

Oct. 2nd.—U.S. considers "cut-rate" prices for shipment abroad of dried fruits, fruit juices, canned vegetables, fats and oils, some other foods. Jewish agency "sadly and reluctantly" accepts partition plan for Palestine.

Oct. 3rd.—Pakistan delegate to UN charges Indian government "connives" at mass slaughter of Moslems. Danish Liberal government defeated in no

confidence vote proposed by parties of left.

Oct. 4th.—Labor Government of Britain has brought widespread ruin on India, Churchill tells Conservative rally at Brighton. Australia to ship 50 million bushels of wheat to United Kingdom; officials state substantial supplies can be sent to India, also, without reducing British shipments as suggested by London.

Oct. 5th.—Truman asks Americans to forego meat on Tuesdays, eggs and poultry on Thursdays; De Gaulle says security of France rests on U.S. opposition to Russia. Britain to withdraw troops from Japan. New Communist International Information Bureau formed, headquarters at Belgrade, composed of Communist parties of nine countries mainly in Eastern Europe but including France and Italy.

Oct. 6th.—Only solution to Greek-Balkan trouble is for British and U.S. troops to move out, urges Vishinsky in UN committee.

Oct. 7th.—Gaitskill replaces Shinwell as Minister of Fuel in British cabinet shake-up; Henderson becomes Secretary for Air, Noel-Baker Minister of Commonwealth Relations. Hundreds of thousands of British workers go on night shifts to reduce peak power loads.

Oct. 8th.—UN approves American proposal for special committee on Greek-Balkan border.

Oct. 9th.—U.S. last year spent \$725 millions on food for Germans, Japanese, Koreans and Austrians, says Washington official.

Oct. 10th.—Arab troops, estimated at 200,000 to 250,000, reported gathering on Palestine frontiers. Russia will boycott UN Greek-Balkan commission. South Africa will lend Britain \$320 millions in gold, reported from London. Canada cannot make further credit loans abroad, Hon. D. C. Abbott tells press conference.

Oct. 11th.—Yugoslavia announces breaking of diplomatic relations with Chile. U.S. will support, in principle, partition plan for Palestine, announced at UN assembly. British must "starve or beg"—or produce more, Stafford Cripps warns.

Oct. 12th.—Leftist and rightist parties elect about equal numbers to Rome municipal council.

Oct. 13th.—Assassination plot against Bevin discovered, is London report. Russia supports UN partition plan for Palestine. Sydney Webb (Lord Passfield), noted English sociologist, dies at the age of 88. General Sir Ian Hamilton, famed defender of Ladysmith in Boer war and commander of British forces at Dardanelles in 1915, dies aged 94. U.S. distilleries will close for 60 days, to save grain.

Oct. 14th.—Arabs formally challenge right of UN to partition Palestine. U.S. Export-Import bank authorizes France to use \$93,000,000 reconstruction loan for coal and raw materials.

Oct. 15th.—British Food Ministry cuts milk ration. Canada supports Palestine partition plan.



TRUMAN

Young Farm People to Present First of Forum Broadcasts

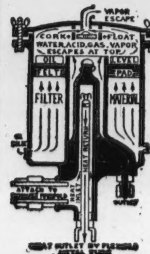
"Youth on the Farm" Opening
Topic—Start Will Be
Made Nov. 3rd

Young people from several Provinces, it is expected, will form the radio panel for the opening broadcast of Farm Radio Forum. The new season will open November 3rd, with the topic "Youth on the Farm". On the succeeding Monday, November 10th, the theme will be "The Farmer Takes a Wife", and the discussion will deal with such questions as the part the wife plays in the farm enterprise, and how life on the farm can be made more satisfactory to women. On November 17th the topic will be "A Farm Organization for Everyone", with particular reference to the part women and young people can play, and will play, in farm organizations. Following the usual practice, the fourth broadcast of the month will be given up to a review of the reports of forums on the subjects of the first three forums. Later in the winter, questions relating to health and education, marketing, farm income and farm management will be among those discussed. We plan to announce the programs, month by month, well in advance of the broadcast dates. (An item on this program also appears in A.F.A. Notes).

"Save Atom From Military or Profiteers"

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind.—Warning that Americans must stay on their toes lest atomic energy be taken over lock stock and barrel by the military or diverted to private profit, David E. Lilienthal, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, declared in a speech here: "There is a growing tendency to act as if atomic energy were none of the American public's business. . . . If schemers or fools or rascals or hysterical stuffed shirts get this thing out of your hands, it may then be too late to find out what it is all about."

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Scholarship Winners Announced by U.F.A.

This year's winners of Robert Gardiner Memorial Scholarships have been announced by the Executive of the United Farmers of Alberta. The scholarship for post-graduate work in research in agriculture in Alberta was won by Stanley Pethybridge, of Tees, and that for third-year work in agriculture, at the University of Alberta, was won by Paul Melnychyn, of Big Valley. George Braithwaite, Red Deer, and Hazel Ralston, Haynes, won the schools of agriculture scholarships.

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Hold Good Meetings

Under the auspices of the Educational Department of U.F.A. Co-op, Calgary, meetings were held recently at: Stirling—Oct. 6th, Mr. W. Spackman, chairman; Milk River—Oct. 7th, Mr. I. Murton, chairman; Jefferson—Oct. 8th, Mr. G. Lehr, chairman; Woolford—Oct. 9th, Mr. Lea, chairman; Crystal Lake—Oct. 10th, Mr. Pahara, chairman.

Mrs. A. M. Peters, U.F.W.A. Director for Lethbridge Const., and H. J. Flock, U.F.A. Director for Lethbridge Const., were present at most of the meetings, and gave short talks on the activities of their respective organizations. Lawrence Proudfoot, Assistant Educational Director of U.F.A. Co-op, presented sound motion pictures at each of the meetings, and also gave a short talk on the progress of the Co-op, and of the activities of the Junior U.F.A. Attendance was good.

Shipments Slowed Up

Bad weather has slowed up carload shipments in the National Barley contest. Up to October 9th there had been shipped 135 carloads, as compared with 175 on the same date last year.

Ship Children's Books

Under the auspices of the Canadian Library Association, an appeal for books for British children resulted in the recent shipment of 1,500 children's books of the highest literary quality to Bethnal Green Public Library, in London. Last winter a report of the London library spoke of the destruction of millions of books by Nazi bombs and the difficulty of securing children's books owing to the paper shortage. This report was read by the Toronto chief librarian, C. R. Sanderson, who instituted the Canadian campaign.

S.A.D.P. SECTION (Continued from page 2)

turbance, such as oleomargarine, into the butter branch would throw all other branches into confusion.

If this was to affect only a few people it would not be a cause for any grave concern but there are some 500,000 dairy farmers in Canada, some 5,000 factories in which milk is processed for the making of dozens of dairy products. This all adds up to a major factor in Canada's internal economy.

If there was any possibility of controlling oleomargarine within Canada it might be handled, but that possibility is very slim. The real and actual control, the source of most of the raw product, would be outside Canada.

EDITORIAL (Continued from page 4)

to take care of only one-fifteenth of the world's population, and one-nineteenth of the world's area.

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But neither democracy nor prosperity, it might be added, can long continue in the twentieth century while part of the world is superabundantly fed and part must seek to live on the subsistence level and often sink below it. . . .

POWER POLITICS

As a Canadian who has an intimate knowledge of Europe recently pointed out—a Canadian devoted to the British Commonwealth, who belongs neither to the extreme right nor the

extreme left—the issues raised in United Nations debates today are essentially the issues of power politics. When Greece is mentioned, what is meant is the Dardanelles; when the Middle East is discussed, this means Oil—and of course strategy. It is naturally not quite so simple as that, but these are underlying factors. It has been well said that our post-war world is not "divisible down the middle into cowboys and Indians, or cops and robbers."

DISCRIMINATION

(The following verses from *The New Statesman and Nation* of London no doubt reflect the present feeling in Britain concerning United States overseas policy.)

When Europe pleads her pressing needs
To earn U.S. relief—
All nations beg a dollar loan or all will
come to grief—

But few appear to have the ear
Of Wall St. Banking cliques
But the Germans and the Japanese,
The Italians and the Greeks.

There used to be such unity
In English-speaking States
That democratic sentiments brought lower
interest rates;

Our dear Ally (we know not why)
Now far more kindly speaks
To the Germans and the Japanese,
The Italians and the Greeks,

She calls a halt when we default
On dollar payments due,
She cancels our priority and makes us
join the queue,

An also-ran for the Marshall Plan,
She holds us up for weeks—
Not the Germans or the Japanese,
The Italians or the Greeks.

Another act like the Lease-Lend Pact
Would save us from collapse
If Britons were Bavarians or else Mac-
Arthur's Japs—
For who have won from Washington

Meet in Paris Next May

It is announced that the second annual meeting of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers will be held in Paris, France, May 19th to 29th, 1948.

The aid that Britain seeks?
The Germans and the Japanese,
The Italians and the Greeks.

Our dollar aid will not be paid
Till Congress votes the sums—
While we like hungry sparrows cheep
for charitable crumbs—
The crumbs don't fall alike on all
But fill the gaping beaks
Of the Germans and the Japanese,
The Italians and the Greeks.

—Sagittarius.

M. H. Ward is now making a good recovery from injuries received recently in a fall from a horse.

Urge Statement on Coarse Grains

That farmers are storing oats and barley rather than sell at prevailing ceiling prices was the statement made to Rt. Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, in a recent telegram from North West Line Elevators Association. The association expressed approval of such action by farmers, adding that a farmer would be ill-advised to sell his coarse grains or malting barley at current ceiling prices. An immediate, clear-cut statement of policy which would ensure farmers of market values for coarse grains and feeders of adequate supplies was urged by the Association.

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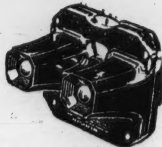
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Dear Farm Women:

"What is so rare as a day in June? Then, if ever, come perfect days."

So sing the lovers of Spring. But in early Autumn days there are some who are as enthusiastic over this season. The first may enthuse over the new life, over the beauty of the pastel colorings of the flowers, the billowy clouds of white bloom on trees or shrubs. They may insist there is the additional interest of new life, fresh hopes.

Fulfilment of Purpose

But the lovers of Autumn will be as loud in their praise of the beauty of the warmth of coloring of the foliage, of the gold of the grain. They will add that the particular interest now is the harvest, the realization of promise. It does not savor of dying in their thoughts, but rather of the fulfilment of opportunity and purpose. In addition there is the practical realization that combines and threshing machines are pouring out the grain for our livelihood and for the use of the world.

The realist may point out that too often there is disappointment in the harvest; that the high hopes of Spring, both in the seasons and in life, do not materialize. There have been too many hazards by the way. Such, no doubt, is unfortunately too often the case. We have all seen it in Nature, and we have seen and read of it in human life. Happily, too, we have seen Nature give bounteous returns and we have seen and read of the life so lived that it has been indeed enriched and has in turn enriched life for others. Sometimes the field of influence may be small but the harvest has been that which can not be computed in bushels or pounds or tons or any yardstick by which we can measure. And in a sense it is a perennial harvest, for the influence goes on and on.

With others the field may be very wide, so large its area goes beyond the horizon as it were. We can all, when we stop to think, recall the life-story of men and women who have made an incalculable contribution. With some, the harvest was utterly beyond that of which the Spring gave promise. I could not but think of that as I read again the life story of Booker T. Washington, born a slave and living the first part of his life in ignorance and abject poverty, yet afterwards the founder of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute for Negroes, and honored by Harvard University by being given the degree of Master of Arts.

Booker T. Washington's Philosophy

Do you remember the philosophy of his life, which he so often told his students? "The longer I live the more I am convinced that after all, the one thing that is most worth living for—and dying for if need be—is the opportunity of making someone else more happy and more useful."

And do you remember what he said to the members of his own race in an address at a big public meeting of both Whites and Negroes? "It is important and right that all the privileges or the law be ours, but it is vastly more important that we be prepared for exercise of these privileges."

What concepts of life! Small wonder the harvest was bountiful.

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELIA SPENCER.

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Devoted Worker Passes

Hillside U.F.W.A. have suffered a great loss in the death of Mrs. Carl Runte, an active member of the Local for fifteen years. "Although never an officer of the Local," writes Mrs. T. H. Howes, "she was several times convener of standing committees and faithfully did her part. Her wise counsel was always acceptable, and her devotion to the farm women's organization was of the greatest. Her influence will be lasting, and her cheerful disposition will long be remembered by members of Hillside U.F.W.A. and by all who knew her. We hope her good example will help us to become better members of our U.F.W.A. A sum of money will be sent to the Cancer Society as a memorial to Mrs. Runte."

U.F.W.A. Local News

Articles are being turned in at each meeting for a fall bazaar, reports Mrs. W. Fuhr, secretary of Stony Plain U.F.W.A.

Reading of Miss Coupland's letter, work on a quilt, and planning of a dance, made up the program for a recent meeting of Cassils U.F.W.A.

Two dress forms were completed at a recent meeting of Eclipse U.F.W.A. (offre) and it was decided to arrange a demonstration on pockets and zippers.

A contribution of \$5 was voted to the Robert Gardiner Scholarship Fund by Iron Creek U.F.W.A. (Viking) recently; at the same meeting the birthday of the secretary, Mrs. H. S. Peterson, was honored by a special birthday cake.

One or more food parcels will be sent to Britain for Christmas, either through CARE or Rotary, it was decided at a recent meeting of Dalemead U.F.W.A. A report on the rural electrification project was given, and plans were outlined for a chicken supper to be held November 7th.

Conrich U.F.W.A. will continue to send food parcels regularly to Britain. Each month a group is selected to

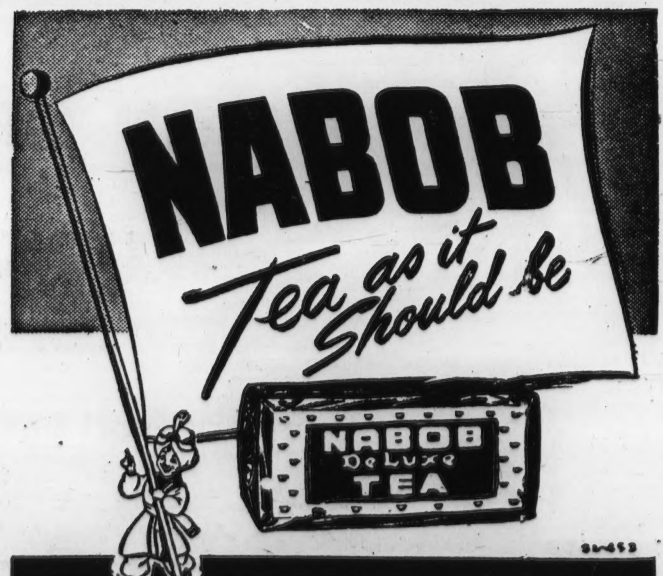
The Western Farm Leader PATTERN DEPARTMENT



These dolls are only nine inches high, so their wardrobes can be made of scraps. Pattern 7009 has transfer of dolls, patterns for underwear, dress, blouse, skirt, coat, beret, overalls. Price of pattern, 25 cents.

lock after this task. Plans are under way for a chicken supper, and a shower for a local bride was also arranged recently.

A group of white and colored students were forced by a mob to leave the town of Columbia, South Carolina, where they were living in a camp under the sponsorship of the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen. They were engaged in putting up a building for a local co-operative.



"TRAINS OF THOUGHT"

We all do some routine complaining
As prices go soaring sky-high,
The pocket-book stressing and
straining
In frantic attempts to get by.
A chorus of rantings and ravings
Assails fractious ends that won't
meet,
While margins that used to be
savings
We now have to eat.

At that we've to eat pretty plainly—
A sirloin or porterhouse steak
We now dream of briefly—and
vainly!—
The while we of hamburg partake.
Our dogs are a trifle down-hearted—
Leftovers don't now come their way,
With meals of tomorrow all started
From what's left today.

Will incomes go up to meet prices?
Will prices instead take a dive?
Will governments try new devices
To keep us afloat and alive?
The great sixty-four dollar question
Too patiently do we discuss.
Micaw'ner—excuse the suggestion!—
Had nothing on us.
ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

Correction

Omission through a typographical error of a word in the poem "Trains of Thought" by Isa Grindlay Jackson in our issue of August 15th, robbed a stanza of its meaning. The portion of the poem referred to should have read as follows:

Well maybe the old fighting spirit
Has really dried up at its fount.
If not surely long skirts would stir it
To put Fashion down for the count.

Canadian lawyers will prepare a Canadian bill of rights, to guard civil rights, it was agreed at the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Bar Association in Ottawa.

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Little Folks' Puzzle



This old lady is having a nice ride in the sky. She is not in an aeroplane either. Take a pencil and join all the numbered dots together, starting with dot number one and ending with dot number 38, and you will see her wonderful steed. Try your crayons on this picture.

Farm Home and Garden

Tea Ring: Sift 2 cups flour with 1/2 teaspoon each soda and salt; cut in 1/4 cup shortening and add 3/4 cup sour milk (or enough to make soft dough). Roll into rectangle 1/4 inch thick, brush with melted butter and spread with: 3/4 cup currants, chopped raisins, dried prunes or mixed candied fruit; 1/2 cup coarsely chopped nutmeats; 1/2 cup brown sugar; 1 tsp. each cinnamon and grated lemon rind. Roll as for jelly roll and form into ring on greased baking sheet. Cut almost through ring at one-inch intervals, turning each piece with cut side down. Bake in hot oven.

Savory Liver Spread: Simmer 1/2 pound liver in salted water until tender; drain, cool, and put through meat chopper with 8 slices cooked bacon. Add 1/4 cup sour cream, 2 tbs. prepared mustard, 2 tbs. minced onion, salt and pepper; store in covered jar in cool place.

Barbecued Lamb: Re-heat slices of cold roast or stewed lamb in sauce made as follows: Brown onion, chopped, in 2 tbs. lamb dripping; add 1-1/2 tbs. each vinegar and brown sugar, 1 cup water, 1/2 tsp. each Worcestershire sauce, paprika and

dry mustard, 1/2 cup tomato catsup and salt and pepper to taste.

Caramel Biscuits: Warm together 1/4 lb. each butter or dripping and sugar, 1 tbs. syrup, 1 tbs. milk, 1/2 tsp. vanilla. Then pour over 2 cups flour and 1/2 tsp. soda, sifted together; mix, form into balls, and press with a fork. (Half cup raisins may be added.)

Garden Pests are now looking for safe winter quarters. All refuse should be raked up and burned or otherwise disposed of; where possible, fall plowing of the garden is recommended so as to expose as many insects as possible to the severe frosts of winter.

Members of Park Grove U.F.W.A. are giving help in the Vegreville Red Cross sewing rooms, reports Mrs. A. Ziegler, U.F.W.A., and in addition some members are doing Red Cross knitting. Two CARE food parcels have been sent to England, and during the summer a picnic was held for the children of the district. Members are interested in securing Canadian citizenship papers.

Mrs. J. R. Mullen gave a fine paper on legislation and read the bulletin as prepared by Mrs. Peters, at the October meeting of Hillside U.F.W.A. Plans were made for a sale to be held in November, and baby spoons were presented to the infant son of Mrs. Thompson and the infant daughter of Mrs. Fleming.



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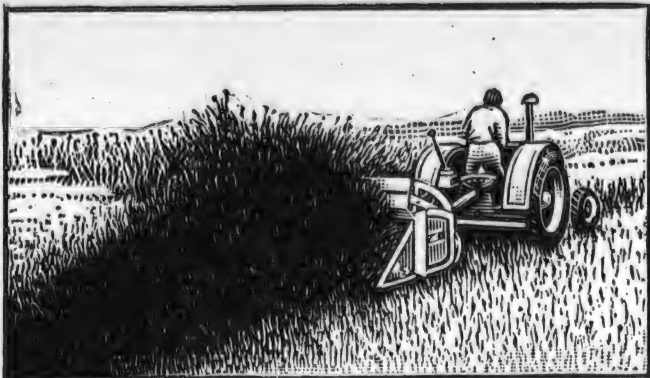
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Cinder-Track Stars



The boys of West Ham, in London's East End, have made their own cinder-track. There are many bomb-created open spaces and plenty of cinders. Instead of motor-cycles for racing they use ordinary, somewhat battered-looking, pedal bicycles. But the excitement is terrific. Here are John Mason, West Ham's captain and Eddy Grinstead, one of his star riders, in a British Broadcasting Corporation Television studio.

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Appoint New Director of Veterinary Services

To commence his duties on December 1st, E. E. Ballantyne, D.V.M., V.S., has been appointed director of Veterinary Services for Alberta, it is announced by Hon. D. B. MacMillan, Minister of Agriculture.

Dr. Ballantyne is a native of



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Stratford, Ontario, and a graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College. Following graduation, he held the position of veterinary inspector for the Dominion Department of Agriculture, and during the war worked with the veterinary division of Connaught Medical Research Laboratories. Later he joined the staff of the Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture as assistant animal pathologist, and was also

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The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
Alberta Wheat Pool

As winter approaches the continent of Europe is fearful of famine, and well may it be. Only recently has the extent of the breakdown of the internal economy of the nations of that continent due to war become apparent. Huge quantities of imported food are required, and food exporting countries have not enough to supply the demand.

Bread is the mainstay of the European diet. It is an energy food, quickly satisfies hunger, and appeals to the appetite. Wheat, from which bread is made, is easily transportable and can be stored for long periods without going out of condition.

U.S. Plan to Save Wheat

The United States is making plans to save as much wheat as possible so that 500 million bushels may be exported in the present crop year. That country also plans to export 2 million bushels of corn and 68 million bushels of other grains.

Canada, with a short crop, can export very little more than 200 million bushels of wheat. Fortunately, Australia is coming up with a good crop, said to be in the neighborhood of 240 million bushels, which will provide a substantial surplus. It is stated that a deal has been made with Great Britain to supply 65 million bushels of wheat from Australia, which, together with 160 million bushels from Canada, will satisfy the import needs of the United Kingdom. There has been no report as to the price Australia will be paid, but it is understood that \$2.72 a bushel was asked.

The Argentine wheat acreage is only 13,709,000, which is 5 million below the 1935-39 average. It is doubtful if the crop will reach 200 million bushels, and the surplus 75 million.

Under Marshall Plan

The Marshall plan, which is being considered in the United States at the present time, calls for the expenditure of \$22.4 billion for European relief during the four years 1948-1951. The United States is expected to provide \$15.81 billion of the required total and the rest of North America (which means Canada) \$3 billion, while the international bank will supply about \$3 billion. Even if this plan is carried through, European people by 1951 will be eating less than they did in 1938.

It now appears that for at least four years ahead, and quite possibly for much longer, the world will need all the food that can be produced.

a member of the faculty of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College.

With the appointment of Dr. Ballantyne, Mr. MacMillan announces that the work formerly performed by the Provincial Veterinarian will be consolidated with the services of the Pathological Laboratory. Dr. Ballantyne succeeds Dr. F. R. Talbot, former Provincial Veterinarian, who retired recently on superannuation.

"Siamese Twins" in N.B.

CHATHAM, N.B.—"Our organization is an infant; it is also somewhat like twins, possibly of the Siamese type," said President W. H. McEwen in opening the first annual meeting of the New Brunswick Co-operative Union held here recently. Over one hundred French and English speaking delegates were present. This duality, said Mr. McEwen, "gives us an opportunity to prove to ourselves and to others that the co-operative movement is for the service of people, regardless of race, language, religion, sect or creed." A total membership of 10,914 in co-ops was reported, of whom 7,407 were members of co-op stores and 1,499 were members of fishermen's co-operatives.

Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Oct. 14th.—Bulk of sales last week were to local butchers and country feeders at about steady prices. Choice steers traded from \$13.50 to \$14, good to choice heifers \$11.50 to \$13.50, good cows \$9.50 to \$9.50, bulls \$7 to \$9. Stockers and feeders, good steers, brought \$9 to \$10.50, plain \$7.50 to \$9, heifers \$7 to \$9.50. Hog market is unsettled due to very limited outlet, last sales Grade A for shipping \$21.75.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Oct. 14th.—There was a fair cleanup today with prices about steady; no hogs sold last week except few sows and heavies; today, Grade A hogs sold \$21.50. Good butcher steers are \$13.25 to \$14.25, down to \$10.50 for common; good to choice heifers \$11.25 to \$12.50, down to \$9 for common; good cows \$9 to \$9.50, down to \$4 to \$6 for canners and cutters. Good stocker and feeder steers \$11.50 to \$12, down to \$10 for common; good to choice veal calves, \$11.50 to \$12.50, down to \$9.50 for common.

The Dairy Market

Production is holding up well in Alberta; there is a good increase over that for the same time last fall. Prints are 61 cents in Calgary; butterfat also is 61 cents. Mongreal and Toronto are quoting 59 cents, and Vancouver 60 cents.

Set Up Organization of Canadian Consumers

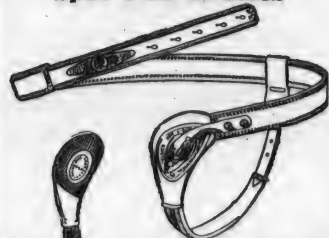
"The Canadian Association of Consumers" was set up by a recent meeting in Ottawa of representatives of a large number of women's organizations, objectives being the uniting of the strength of consumers, study of consumer problems, circulation of information and presentation to Governments of consumer opinion. Mrs. R. J. Marshall, Agincourt, Ont., is president, and the Alberta representative on the Board is Mrs. F. J. Conroy, of Edmonton.

"Without Agreement Prices Would Collapse"

Wheat prices would collapse without operations of the Canada Wheat Board and the Anglo-Canadian wheat agreement, declared J. H. Wesson, president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, last week.

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Livestock Numbers Down in Britain

LONDON, Eng. — Reflecting losses caused by the severe storms of last winter, and by spring floods, livestock numbers in the United Kingdom on June 1st (recently announced) show a drop from the previous year. In sheep, the drop is from 20.3 millions to 16.8 millions; hogs dropped from 1.9 millions to 1.6; and cattle from 9.6 to 9.5 millions.

LONDON FOOD LETTER

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cent compared with pre-war, of 15 per cent compared with the wartime peak of 1943-44, and of 20 per cent compared with 1946-47. The targets set out in a memorandum prepared during the war and recently published as a White Paper are considerably exceeded, and the new program involves an immense effort, greatly surpassing the highest known previous output of Britain's agricultural industry. Even so the Government hopes that the target figures will be exceeded.

Proposed Increases in Detail

Some of the proposed increases in output are as follows: wheat from 119 per cent of pre-war in 1946-47 to 160 per cent in 1951-52; barley from 257 per cent to 279 per cent and oats from 150 per cent to 156 per cent.

On the other hand, potato output is to be reduced from 209 per cent to 129 per cent and sugar beet output (for which the yield was very high last year) from 164 per cent to 151 per cent.

Special stress is laid on the increased output of livestock products. Thus, milk production is to be raised from 107 per cent of pre-war in 1946-47 to 123 per cent in 1951-52; egg production from 78 per cent to 152 per cent; production of beef and veal from 93 per cent to 110 per cent; that of mutton and lamb from 70 per cent to 77 per cent, and that of pigmeat from 32 per cent to 92 per cent.

Included in the new program is an increase of £50 million in output which is expected to be secured as a result of increased efficiency. The total expansion of £100 million would, therefore, roughly fall into two parts: £50 million from improved efficiency and £50 million from additions to the resources of the industry.

Dollar Saving Products

The program does not envisage a uniform expansion for all products, but deliberately places emphasis on dollar-saving products. This is in contrast with the measures during the war years which were designed to save ships. Almost all products save dollars directly or indirectly, but particularly important are pigmeat, eggs, beef, mutton, cereals and linseed. The target for the latter is 400,000 acres for 1951-52. Linseed is a new crop to many British farmers, which hardly existed before the war, and of which the 1948 target is only 150,000 acres; but it is a valuable source both of cattle cake and of oil for industrial purposes.

The effort required for carrying out the program will fall mainly to the people engaged in the agricultural industry themselves. The Government, however, intends to give all possible help in providing all the facilities needed.

Many thousands of additional workers will be required. Recruitment of

A.F.A. NOTES—(Contd. from page 5)
Farm Radio Forum.—"Youth on the Farm", "The Farmer Takes a Wife", and "A Farm Organization For Everyone" are the first topics under discussion over the National Farm Radio Forum commencing on Monday, November 3rd at 8:30 p.m.

These and other local problems, as well as national and international questions, will be under discussion during the winter.

Tune your radio on Monday nights to this farmers' program. You may hear your neighbor's voice as the participants will be taken from all parts of Canada. Or better still, invite in a few of your neighbors and organize a listening group that can report your opinions to the Provincial Secretary.

You will find that group listening is fun, instructive to yourselves and helpful to the Federation of Agriculture that sponsors this program. It will do much toward building community spirit and enterprise.

Just drop a card to the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, Calgary, for further information and material.

Farm Labor.—R. M. Putnam, Secretary, Dominion-Provincial Farm Labor Committee, informs us that approximately two hundred Polish veterans will be available for general farm work early in November.

These men have been on sugar beet work since June. They have had a chance to learn some English as well as other farm work. These men can be contracted for a period of twelve months at going wage, plus board and room. Wage to be not less than \$45.00 per month.

If you are in need of this type of farm help, place your application with your District Agriculturist or local National Employment Service office.

At least 56 new industries were set up in Canada by wartime refugees from Nazi and Fascist tyranny.

Discusses Preparation of Seed Exhibits

Preparation of exhibits for seed shows is discussed in a recent bulletin of Line Elevators Farm Service, by D. M. McLean, who suggests that the ideal exhibit should consist of kernels typical of the variety, and as nearly alike as possible in size, shape and color, the whole sample presenting a "sound, plump, lustrous appearance." It should of course be free of all weed seeds, foreign material and other impurities; all evidence of disease or machine damage, weathering, etc., should be eliminated. This year, adds Mr. McLean, the Provincial Departments of Agriculture are paying shipping costs on approved exhibits to and from the Royal Winter Fair. For this show entries close October 24th; for the International show, at Chicago, entries close November 10th.

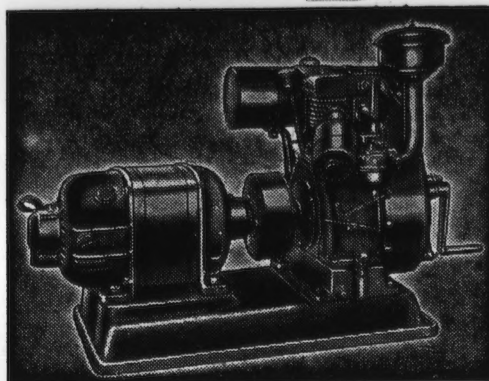
foreign labor is proceeding, and a review is in hand of all the possible sources of additional British labor. Highest priority will be given to housing for the additional labor force.

Substantial Addition to Returns

The Government has decided on a substantial addition to farmers' returns through an upward revision of prices including acreage payments, and through certain *ad hoc* subsidies or grants. These measures have three aims: first, to make available a large sum annually to finance the breeding or purchase of livestock, machinery and other means of production. Secondly, to recoup in full increases in costs, including wage increases. Thirdly, to establish new and much increased minimum prices for livestock and livestock products up to 1951-52 as a measure of confidence and stability.

The new program is not only designed to meet a temporary necessity, but agrees with the principles of long-term stability and efficiency of British agriculture, which have found their expression in the new Agriculture Act. Full support by farmers and farmworkers for the new plans has already been expressed through their leaders to the Government.

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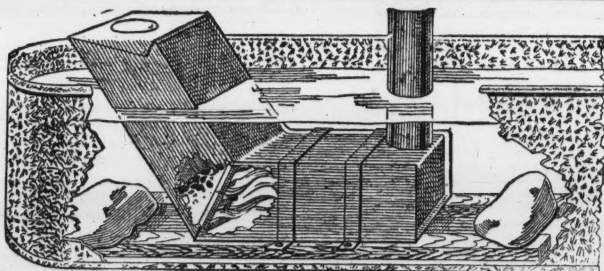
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Co-operative Membership on Farms Over 5 Million

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Memberships in U.S. farm marketing and purchasing co-operatives went over the five million mark for the first time in the 1945-46 season, the Department of Agriculture announced recently. There is, of course, some duplication. The volume of business also reached a new peak of over \$6 billions—partly due to inflated prices. Grain co-operatives were in first place with aggregate business of \$1,495 millions; dairy co-operatives ranked second with \$1,428 millions; while fruit and vegetable co-operatives were third with \$815 millions. Farm supplies were purchased co-operatively to the amount of \$1,200 millions.

MUSTARD AND CRESS

By SYDNEY MAY

Hello, Folks!

We see where a woman down south wants a divorce because her husband insists on eating soft boiled eggs in bed. That's nothing to cackle about.

Then there's the guy who was leading the life of Riley—until Riley came home unexpectedly.

YOU CAN'T BLAME DAD

Sunday School teacher: "What does your father say before you eat your meals, Johnny?"
"Go easy on the butter, kids, it's 65 cents a pound."

—Thenx to Barney again.

A rooster, crossing the barnyard out Midnapore way, came across a football that the kids had been playing with.

"Ladies," he crowed, "come here and observe carefully; I don't want to complain, but I'd like you to see what is being done in other yards."

—Contributed.

According to a U.P. London dispatch, Dr. John Scott Lidgett, 92, told a Methodist conference group that adultery "is at least as serious as committing a murderous attack or stealing \$40." Sounds like the high cost of loving.

TO LILY

You are so very young, O lovely child,
And yet the woman's subtle ways are yours.
I look at you and think what you will be
When Father Time has winnowed out the years.
Not many more to go, for you are twelve;
Already new, strange thoughts form in your mind,
And in your heart sweet dreams of maidenhood.
Your walk is all a dance in playful mood;
Your talk one endless song of childhood's love.
For you to tease is but to say hello,
And you surmise that woman's "no" means "yes".
Each boy you meet to you a brother is,
And every girl a sister; still you feel
Within your heart the gentle glowing fire
Of that new-coming visitor—first love.

Be not too hasty in pursuit of life;
Enough that you but meet it at half way,
And play the game according to its rules.
What's yours will always come to you in time,
While you perform your duties day by day,
Await in faith the coming of your own.
Sing in your heart while you are at your work,
And dance in joy when you are at your play—
And dream your golden dreams of happiness.

—Volodimir Barabash.

New York writer states that people are not saving as much money this year as they did last year. Ah, well, even New York writers are sometimes wide enough awake to observe that the cost of living has gone up.

Well, Labor Day is a thing of the past and the packing house employees have once again settled down to strike.

Fashion designers have decreed

longer skirts for women. Wonder if that could be regarded as lowering the ceiling?

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—Adv. in the Omaha World-Herald. Well, that's the way the Autumn sales are going this year.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

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Curiously enough, no matter how prices continue to go up food will still go down. —But maybe, as Cynical Gus observes, not so much of it.

Now that bread prices have been increased we are told that more housewives will be baking their own bread. Yep, but how are they to raise the dough to buy the flour?

WHAT'S COOKING

Self-heating canned goods are reported to be now on the market. This can, of course, be regarded as hot news.

AUTO EPITAPH

Poor Tommy Jones
Would be alive,
But he passed on a hill
At seventy-five.

The recent deserving campaign on behalf of the blind reminds us of the following story told by Walter A. Lowen:

One sunny May day in New York's Central Park a blind man was seen tapping for attention with his cane and carrying on his chest a sign: "Help the Blind". No one paid much attention to him. A little farther on another blind man was doing better. Practically every passer-by put a coin in his cup, some even turning back to make their contribution. His sign said: IT IS MAY—AND I AM BLIND.

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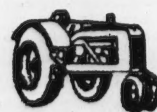
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OTTAWA LETTER

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tial for the maintenance of even the "austerity" level of subsistence. There is still the constant pressure from other countries of Europe for all the food that can be sent them.

In Eastern Canada favorable fall weather has been helping out the farmers in the face of shortage of feeds. Livestock has been out in pasture. Every day helps, and the outlook for good fall plowing weather is good.

J. G. Taggart, the Chairman of the Agricultural Prices Support Board, has been appointed Director in Chief of Agricultural Services in the Department of Agriculture in Ottawa.

The new assistant to the Deputy Minister (Dr. G. S. H. Barton) has had an extensive experience and has an intimate knowledge of the problems faced by farmers in the different sections of the country. He was connected for eight years with the Alberta schools of agriculture at Olds and Vermilion. For two years he was principal of Vermilion.

Dr. E. S. Archibald has returned from attending the FAO at Geneva, where he was chairman of one of the main committees of the organization. The very important and pressing work of the committee kept him two weeks longer than the bulk of the delegates. This fall he intends to pay a visit to the farmers of Western Canada.



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